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**Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 17, 2004, the period for response to which will expire on March 17, 2005, with a three-month extension fee filed herewith. Applicants hereby elect the continuing prosecution of Invention I: Claims 1-21 without traverse.